

Rice county has no jail at present.

The total valuation of the property of Rice county is \$2,199,566.89.

Sumner county has a surplus in her county treasury of \$40,000.

Hon. Simon Motz has been elected mayor of Hays City.

A petition is being circulated in Barber county asking that it be re-surveyed.

The receiver of the Larned land office receives as a salary about \$4,000 a year.

Complaint is made that a good deal of spurious butter is being sold at Burlington.

The citizens of Lyons, Rice county, have voted bonds to erect water works at that place.

John C. Tabor was drowned while bathing in Cowkin creek, near Waco, Sedgewick county.

Mr. Jefferson Durr, was struck by lightning at Abilene a few days ago. He died a short time after.

A society called the "Girard Temperance Union" has been organized at Girard Crawford county.

A fire in Atchison caused a loss of \$800 to Joseph May, the proprietor of a second hand store, which was burned.

Several of the leading citizens of Erie, Neosho county, have been arrested because they failed to pay their occupation tax.

Hezekiah Bloom aged 92 is probably the oldest person in this state. He is a resident of Bloom township, Cherokee county.

A citizen of Newton has struck it rich. He received a telegram from Colorado the other day offering him \$100,000 for a mine he owned in that state.

The Holton high school has just graduated thirteen pupils. Seven of the thirteen were born in Kansas, and ten received their entire schooling in Kansas.

Fredonia Times: A farm house belonging to M. Myers, a few miles west of this city, with all the contents, was burned last night. Loss about \$1,000; insured for \$800.

Gen. Reynolds, late first auditor of the United States Treasury, who was lately killed by falling down an air shaft in the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, was a large land-owner in Harvey county.

Salina Independent: There is some talk of requiring an annual license of \$500 from the drug stores, and in truth, we understand, the city attorney has been instructed to draft an ordinance to this effect.

Olathe Republican: The penalty and back taxes on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, amounting to \$22,856, were paid to the treasurer of Johnson county last week by a draft. It was cashed by an Olathe bank.

The Carbondale bank, of Carbondale, Osage county, made an assignment a few days ago to O. J. Gauger. Its liabilities are \$32,434.70; assets, \$40,808.01. The failure was caused by mismanagement on the part of the former cashier. Too much money was loaned on too long time.

Wellingtonian: A farmer who resides nine miles southeast of this city was bitten by a mad dog last Tuesday, since which he has tried the so-called mad stones at Oxford, Milan and Argonia, neither of which adhered to the wound. He now goes to try the celebrated stone at Paola.

Topeka Commonwealth: The assessable value of improvements made in this city during the past year is about \$168,000. The increase in the valuation of railroad property is about \$40,000, and the increase in valuation of personal property will be upward of \$100,000. The total increase in assessable property will be fully \$300,000.

Clark county has been organized and the county officers have been appointed. Clark county claims 2,042 inhabitants and 854 voters, 481 children of school age, 4,819 acres of land under cultivation. The town of Ashland has been decided upon as the temporary county seat, agreeable to the expression of the voters of the county.

Large tracts of land are being purchased by syndicates and capitalists in the western part of this state. Lombard Bros., Boston bankers, recently purchased 117,000 acres, lying south of the Arkansas river, between Coolidge and Syracuse and a Garden City syndicate bought 11,500 on the other side of the same river.

The Union Pacific railway company recently applied at the United States land office in Oberlin for patents to sixty-four sections, (40,960 acres) of land, situated in Sheridan county. These lands will now be subject to taxation. The Kenneth Sentinel is informed that it is the purpose of this company to patent all their lands located in that county.

Incendiarists fired Ben Armstrong's house, at Independence, Montgomery county, but the fire was easily extinguished. The following day the second hand store of S. Case was fired, and the flames extending caused the following losses: Broderick & Hickman, marble yard, \$3,500; S. Case, second hand goods, \$1,200; S. Darby, \$1,000; M. Tully, \$800; A. McCrary, \$500; water works company, \$1,500; John Givens, \$890. There was very little insurance.

The following is an associated press dispatch from Atchison: Jacob M. Smith, an old resident, was arrested on a charge of attempting to burn his large pork packing establishment in East Atchison. He at once confessed his guilt. The property is valued at \$11,000, and the object was to secure the insurance and money from the railroad company. Everything had been arranged to burn the building, but detectives nipped the affair in the bud.

Longton Times: J. C. Eatherly, who killed Mr. Messmore at Elk Falls, made his escape while his trial was in progress. Taking advantage of the sleeping guards, Eatherly fled the chain of his shackles in two. Securing the revolvers of both guards, he woke them up, ordered them to lock arms and march before him. The two revolvers were very persuasive and the guards "stood not on the order of going, but good." He marched them about five miles south of Howard and then ordered them to fire the shackles off his ankles. He then told them to go home and not look back

until they got half a mile. Eatherly then went on his way in a southwesterly direction, and was seen by parties two miles north of Elk Falls. As soon as his escape was known at Elk Falls, parties went in search of him. He was found about two miles west of Elk Falls in a hollow, asleep, and the persons who found him, pointing two double-barreled shot guns at his head, and of course he made no resistance. He was taken to Howard and the parties who captured him filed their claim for the reward. He secured the file at a carpenter shop a few days before his escape. Eatherly has been found guilty of murder in the second degree.

STOCK NOTES.

Items Gleaned from the Kansas Press Appertaining to Stock and Stock Raising.

The Dodge City Times says that there are 35,000 head of Texas cattle between Dodge City and Sand creek. They are going north.

Joe Young, the fine trotting horse owned by C. E. Westbrook, Peabody, Kas., won the free-for-all race at the Harper spring meeting.

Cornelius Duke 38,048, a short-horn bull used for some time at the head of the well-known herd of G. M. Gifford & Son, was sold to A. W. Brewerton, Marion, Kas.

Abilene Gazette: A prominent short-horn breeder of this county has just received a valuable accession to his herd in the person of a two-year-old Rose of Sharon bull, for which he paid \$225.

Jetmore Reville: Cattle and horses never looked so well at this season of the year in former years as they do now, in the universal response from our visiting stockmen. While the grass is good and water plenty, why shouldn't they look well?

Dodge City Times: R. R. Murray received 60 head of bulls at the yards yesterday for the southwestern land and cattle company; among the number are some very choice thoroughbred imported Hereford bulls. They are a fine lot of stock.

Dodge City Globe: We hear of a man in Hodgeman county who shipped six hundred head of sheep to Kansas City, and on figuring up all expenses on his arrival home found that his sheep brought him just forty cents a head. He is not satisfied with the sheep business.

Dodge City Cowboy: Six or more through herds passed this point within the past week. It was claimed—but how true the claim was we know not—that all of said herds were from the locality in Texas entitling them to free passage through this or any other state.

The Kansas Cowboy says that T. T. D. Andrews, of Texas, has made a contract for the delivery of 6,000 yearlings and two-year-old steers to the Hamilton Land Company, of western Kansas. The steers are to come from central Texas. The terms of the transaction are private, but we learn that the prices obtained were very low.

Kansas City Live Stock Record: The calf crop in New Mexico last year did not average over 40 per cent. It should have been 75. Cause, a shortage of bulls. Loss to stockmen, 100,000 calves, which at \$10 each, amounts to \$1,000,000. The number of bulls necessary to save this enormous sum would not have cost \$100,000.

GRAND ARMY PICKUPS.

Particulars Pertaining to the Posts.

A post of the Grand Army is to be organized at Wayne, Republic county.

The post at Oskaloosa will have charge of the Fourth of July celebration at that city.

The Woman's Relief corps of Larned donated \$28 to the camp of the Sons of Veterans of that place.

Wilmington township, Wabaunsee county has one hundred old soldiers among its population.

Beaufort Post 182, of Halstead, visited the post at Sedgewick City the other day and had a very pleasant time.

Patrick W. Rigney is the oldest veteran of Ellis county. He is aged seventy-one and served in the fifteenth Illinois cavalry.

Twenty-six old soldiers are buried in the Burlington, Coffey county cemetery. Most of them were members of Kansas regiments.

Sabetha Herald: Great preparations will be made for a soldiers' reunion during the Hiawatha fair. G. A. R. Post 175 of their city will attend in a body.

Caldwell Journal: L. A. Franklin, an old soldier and one of the pioneers of this county, died at his farm three miles west of this city. He leaves a wife and two or three children to mourn his loss. He was a member of the G. A. R. post of this city.

Olathe Mirror-Gazette: The department officers of the Woman's Relief Corps held a called meeting last week to properly show their appreciation for the valuable services rendered the department by the retiring president Mrs. L. H. Brown of this city.

The post at Republic City, Republic county, has twenty members and is reported to be in a thriving condition. Of the members seven served in Illinois regiments, five in Indiana, four in Ohio, two in Wisconsin, one in Kansas and one in Pennsylvania.

Paola Spirit: There is considerable talk among the old soldiers and others of raising money to build a union monument in this city in memory of the old soldiers buried in this county. It is a laudable and practical project which we hope will be carried out.

Caldwell Journal: Jefferson Spilker was made happy this week by the receipt of his pension papers, all in good shape upon which he will draw as back pay a little over \$1,400, and in the future \$8 a month. The old gentleman needs it if any one does, for he is pretty well used up from diseases contracted during the war. He was a member of the grand army of the republic.

Atchison Patriot: Col. Allen Buckner, chaplain of the Kansas senate, and of the grand army of Kansas, lectured at Corinthian hall, on last Thursday evening, under the auspices of E. C. Johnson Post, No. 338. Subject "Chickens, Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge." Col. Buckner "was there," and told the story in powerful and graphic style. The

lecture was for the benefit of the post fund.

Burlington Chronicle: Three years ago we called the attention to the grand army boys to the fact that a soldier was buried out on the prairie a few miles from this city. We suggested that time the propriety of either lifting the remains and placing them in the Burlington cemetery, or placing a monument over the present grave and enclosing it with a suitable fence. We do not know the name of this dead comrade, nor is it necessary so far as carving for the grave is concerned that the grand army should know. It is quite enough to know that this silent sleeper who lies there alone and neglected, once wore the blue.

Troy Chief: Frank Kitzmiller, of Highland, a member of Severance post, 161, some time ago saw a notice that an ex-Confederate soldier at Richmond, Va., and a member of a Confederate veteran camp, was manufacturing gavel out of wood taken from the famous Libby prison, for the presentation to G. A. R. posts in the north. Mr. Kitzmiller made application to him for a gavel for Severance post, and in due course of time received it, and the following letter:

RICHMOND, VA., June 11, 1885.

Frank Kitzmiller, Highland Kas:

DEAR COMRADE:—Your esteemed favor of the 20th inst. is at hand, and to-day I send by this mail a gavel made out of a piece of a column in the Libby prison, and which you will please present to your G. A. R. post, with the compliments and right hand of friendship extended from a boy who wore the gray to the boys who wore the blue, hoping that we, as a happy re-united people, may always live together in peace, harmony and unity. I would have sent the gavel earlier, but owing to unavoidable circumstances, was delayed in doing so; but, as the old adage has it, "better late than never." Present my greetings to the comrades of the post, one and all, and believe me,

Fraternally yours,

JNO. E. LANE.

Let me hear if the gavel came through all right.

The writer is a member of R. E. Lee camp, No. 1, Confederate veterans. If all Confederate soldiers were animated by the same spirit that pervades the above letter, harmony and unity would be accomplished as by an electric flash.

KANSAS FARMING.

Notes worthy Incidents Among The Farmers of The State.

The Topeka poultry club are making arrangements for a poultry show in that city sometime during the summer.

Dodge City Globe: The present outlook for crops in this section this year is, wheat one-half, and corn one-third crop.

Gaylord Herald: Jas. McNary, of this township, informs us that he has 110 acres of as fine winter grain as he ever saw growing in this country.

Parsons Palladium: The army worm is reported to have made its appearance in the southwestern portion of the county, and is cutting down the corn as fast as it comes up.

Abilene Chronicle: The reports concerning the wheat crop are very unfavorable. Many farmers are plowing up their wheat who three weeks ago expected good crops.

Reeds (Greenwood county) Republican: On Wednesday we were shown a specimen of orchard grass which was the product of six weeks growth. It was thirty-six inches in height.

Saratoga Sun: Reports from all over the county indicate that the wheat crop will be much better than was anticipated. The recent warm weather, if continued will cause it to mature early.

Dodge City Times: The talk of the color of a horse controlling the price, only holds good where match teams are wanted; a good fat fine looking horse will sell in any market, no matter what his color is.

Dodge City Globe: Who ever saw finer grass than our ranges are now covered with, and in less than thirty days it will be said, who ever saw fatter range cattle? That's why the range men are smiling.

Wellington Press: The complete returns of the assessors of this county place the acreage of wheat this season, in Sumner county, at 74,463, a decrease from last year of 10,000 acres. The number of acres planted in corn is 154,120, an increase over last year of 25,000.

Dodge City Globe: A gentleman from the east has purchased a large tract of land south of Cimarron, and will start a goose ranch. If he is successful, no doubt others will engage in the business, and we may, before long, have an association made up of the goose kings of the great west.

Hanover (Washington county) Democrat: We are told the prospect for a booming crop for everything, save winter wheat, which was winter killed to a great extent, was never better at this season of the year. All kinds of fruit, except peaches, promise a big yield. Grapes, especially, were never better at this season of the year.

Dodge City Cowboy: A few chickens, a cow, and a pig or two with a good garden which can be raised every year, will stand between any farmer and want, whether the rest of their crops are failures or not. This may seem a poor allowance to some but when you take into consideration that there are well-to-do farmers in this valley to-day, who have in winters gone by, seen weeks at a time that the only thing in their houses in the way of eatables was a jack rabbit or some other wild game, it is not so bad, especially when there is a day or two's work to be had, which was seldom the case a few years ago.

KANSAS CHURCHES.

Items of Interest Concerning Them.

The Disciples will erect a church in North Topeka this summer.

A comfortable and commodious Methodist church is to be built at Hartford.

The Methodists have also purchased lots and will erect a parsonage for their pastor.

Rev. J. B. Ives, who has been the pastor of the Congregational church at Douglas Butler county for ten years, has tendered his resignation to take effect July 1.

Hanover (Washington county) Democrat: Father Fichler is having the ground around the Catholic church and school

buildings laid out into walks and otherwise repaired and beautified.

Ellsworth Reporter: A gentleman in this city has kindly offered to donate two lots upon which to build an Episcopal church. The six lots now owned by the church, we understand, will be sold, and the money used in erecting a church building.

Parsons Sun: At a meeting of the Presbyterian society on Sunday, at the close of the morning service, Rev. J. K. Fowler, of Rockford, Ill., was given a unanimous call to the pastorate of the church at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars a year.

Fredonia Citizen: Rev. V. Davies, a student from Yale theological seminary, has been engaged to supply the Congregational church in Altoona. He will return in September to complete his studies, being a member of the class that graduates next year.

Rev. Mr. Morey, now of Neosho Falls, preached the first sermon ever delivered in Burlington; built one of the first mills in that section of the state, and in early days was accustomed to officiate at funerals where the coffin in which the corpse was entered was the work of his own hands, the lumber of which he had made at his mill from logs cut and hauled to the mill by himself.

The Methodist church at Lynn, Washington county, was dedicated a short time ago by Bishop Ninde. It is 28x40 with a wing 28x28 and is the largest church building in Washington county, with the exception of the Catholic at Hanover. Nine hundred dollars were contributed, which placed the church out of debt with a small amount in the treasury.

Washington Register: A number of our people attended the dedication of the M. E. church at Linn yesterday and listened to the sermon and dedicatory services by Bishop Ninde. The church at Linn was built at a cost of fully \$2,000, and all paid for except some \$700. When the call was made for subscriptions to raise the debt, upwards of \$900 were raised in a few minutes.

Muscatoh (Brown county) Record: Rev. T. W. Haven, pastor of the M. E. church of this city, last year, has severed his connection with the Methodist church and joined the Congregationalists. His reason, we understand for taking this step was principally his opinion on the subject of popular amusements which are at variance with the tenets of the Methodist church.

Abilene Gazette: At the Episcopal church a few evenings ago, the bishop confirmed three persons, and baptized three children, making his usual beautiful and appropriate remarks. Rev. Mr. Lee of Manhattan, addressed the congregation, giving a short history of his first church work in Abilene, when he and Father Dooley, of sainted memory, used to hold services here. He congratulated them on their success, in erecting so neat a house for the worship of God.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Hints That Will be Found Useful to the Farmer and His Family.

Beef seed has a faint tinge of pale green if new, but it is a dull brown if old, and its vitality is very doubtful if old.

Josiah Hoopes says the Fay's Prolific currant produces bunches that surpass the large representations made of them.

Soot is an excellent "starter" for corn, as it is rich in nitrogen. It is a substance that is often wasted, but which is really valuable.

Soft-wooded plants should always be placed nearest the light, while hard and smooth-leaved ones will not suffer in quite shaded situations.

New celery seed has a faint tinge of green, and is very aromatic, but it loses the green and becomes less fragrant if more than one year old, and is doubtful.

A writer in the Rural Workman says a teaspoonful of coal oil poured into the wound made by peach-borers in the body or limbs of trees is sure death to the borer.

The roots of clover and some other grasses often find their way to very considerable depths, but drains laid from three to four feet deep are seldom choked by the roots.

Trees whose roots seek water should never be allowed near tile drains. The roots entering the pipes choke them. The willow has been known to travel 100 feet to enter a well.

The number of fowls kept in France is reported at nearly 44,000,000, the average product of chickens at three to each, and the average product of eggs per hen at 100 per annum.

LOVERS OF BROWN BREAD should have a tin made on purpose for it, round and tall, with a closely fitting cover; in this genuine brown bread should be baked slowly for four hours.

Sow beets, carrots and parsnips early, so as to get ahead. They are slow in germinating, easily destroyed by weeds when young, and should therefore be forwarded as much as possible.

Plant plenty of seed in the garden. Do not be content with a small patch of vegetables and an insufficient supply, as the garden can be so managed as to afford an abundance for a large family.

SOFT-CREAM COOKIES are made of one cup of sour cream, one cup of sugar, two eggs, one teaspoonful (not heaping) of soda, a little salt and flour enough to make a soft dough; flavor with cinnamon.

The Indiana Bureau of Statistics says that underdraining not only decreases the tendency to malarial diseases, but in that state has been known in five years to increase the yield of corn and wheat 50 per cent.

Use plenty of lime in the orchard and around the vines. It prevents the attacks of insects and also serves as plant-food, as well as hastening chemical action in the soil, thereby rendering the inert substances available.

Lambblack mixed with strong vinegar is said to make a paint for marking sheep that will not injure the wool and will remain for a year. It is worth trying. Tar and paint are both blotching and difficult to scour from wool.

For the improvement of heavy soil lime should be used for the first dressing, and the crop for the first season should be potatoes, the second season oats, then corn, next wheat and then clover, commencing again with potatoes.

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